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PATRICIAN DAHLIAS

AND

GLADIOLUS 1926

INVITATION

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Our home, a place of rare beauty and Indian Tradition, with its fine trees and clear placid lake containing four small islands, surely a splendid setting for the glerious Dahlia. Located right on the Merrick Road on the Westerly rim of the beautiful town of Babylon.

We cordially invite our customers and friends and all lovers of flowers to visit these extensive Show Gardens of 15 acres of Dahlias, where you may see thousands and thousands of beautiful blooms; a riot of color, a sight to behold.

Blooming season Angust until frost.

You may reach us by motor via the Merrick Road direct to the Gardens, or if you come by R. R. call 447 R, Babylon, and our car will meet you.

ELIZABETH M. UNDERHILL Manager, Retail Dept.



BABYLON DAHLIA GARDENS

OFFICE
and
SHOW GARDENS
(15 acres)
MERRICK ROAD

BABYLON, L. I., N. Y.

On the "Sunrise Trail"

FARM
(20 acres)
DEERPARK AVE.
and
BELMONT LANE

DAHLIA SEED

Specially collected from the best blooms, \$1, \$2, and \$3 per 100.

NOTE

If there is any variety you are interested in and not listed in this catalogue, we may have it as we grow many others in limited quantity, and some are sold too heavily at the Gardens to list.

REGARDING OUR GREEN PLANTS

We send out strong plants from $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch pots grown right. Hardened off so that during shipping time we have them ready to go to you in perfect condition. Each year they are in greater demand, and we have many repeat orders. Do not hesitate to order them. We guarantee them to arrive in good condition. Full cultural instructions with each order.

GUARANTEE

We guarantee all bulbs listed are true to name and also their arrival in good growing condition. We will cheerfully replace any that should prove otherwise. Kindly notify us at once. We do not substitute unless requested, but would suggest a second or third choice in case one you order is sold out.

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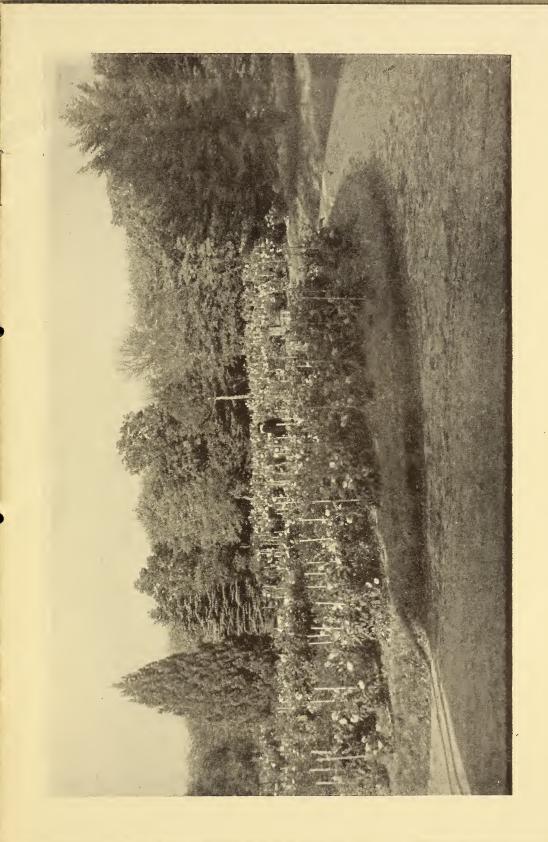
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TERMS

Cash with order or in advance of shipment. Remittance may be made by money order or check. All prices quoted in this catalogue are for divisions of field grown roots unless otherwise stated. We prepay postage in first, second or third zones.

We send full cultural directions with each order.

[For the best book on the culture of the Dahlia we recommend, "A Little Book of Modern Dahlia Culture" (illustrated) by W. H. Waite. Postpaid \$1.60] Be sure to send for our Spring Catalogue on High Grade Perennials and Dutch Bulbs.



Sparks From a Pastor's Anvil

"Say it with Flowers!"

The Lord said it "with flowers," when He twined some blossoms into the sermon on the mount, "Consider the lilies."

Flowers are preachers of the garden, prophets in the woods, Evangelists by the wayside.

On graduation day, when the Battle of the Books has been won, and redouts in the Kingdom of Knowledge stormed and captured, "say it with flowers." A sprig of bloom for the lad's coat, a bouquet of roses for the girl's corsage. Well done, good and faithful scholar!

Hark to the music! Here comes the bride, and on her fair brow, and in her trembling hands, flowers! Say it with flowers, "for better for worse, for richer for poorer, till death us do part." So says the bride, so says the bridegroom, and all the flowers of the wedding scene in fragrant whisperings respond, "Amen!"

Step softly into the sick room, and, "say it with flowers." They tell of sympathy for the sufferer, of prayers for the afflicted. They stand as radiant sentinels witnessing to the love care of Him who said, "I am the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valleys." Hand of Christ, softest pillow, touch of Christ, divinest restorative, comfort of Christ, best of healing balms.

And when for tired travelers earth's journey is done, and the farewell given, still "Say it with flowers." A few on the quiet heart, lovely pledge of the resurrection. Anchor of flowers, for the eternal hope within the veil! Cross of flowers, for the rough Tree on the hillside that blossomed red with the Saviour's blood, the sinner's only plea! Gates of flowers, significant of the entrance, lustrous with pearl, through which the blessed pass to be at home in the Father's house!

Pastor George Douglas. Flushing, L. I., N. Y.

CACTUS & HYBRIDS

(Hybrids are noted by HYB.)

The Hybrid cactus Dahlias are becoming most popular. Many of our large Dahlias are of this type. They have broader and more massive petals than the true cactus.

AMBASSADOR. (Broomhall) Cactus. This is surely the best cactus so far and in a class by itself. An enormous full flower on absolutely erect stem, the flower seeming to look right at you. Color soft yellow-buff, edged salmon pink. Judged the best and most artistic dahlia. Insulinde running second	1.00
Amsterdam	.75
BALLET GIRL. (Cac.) Variegated. Orange with white edge, sometimes clear orange, and other variations. Very large	1.50
BIANCA. Hyb. Rose pink of true type, very free flowering. Long stems	.50
BONNIE G. Cac. A large perfect cactus of real pink. Tall grower; good bloomer	1.00
BREAK O'DAY. Hyb. cac. Large delicate clear sulphur yellow shading sulphur white at the tips. Fine stem	.50
BILLIE BURKE. Hyb. cac. Huge flower; corn-yellow shading to fawn-pink; fine long stem and a profuse bloomer	.75
BRIDES BOQUET. Cac. Pure glistening white flowers of medium size borne freely on fine stems. Splendid for cutting	.75
CALIFORNIA BEAUTY. Cac. A new shade in cactus. Deep copper buff on perfect stems. Very attractive	1.00
CINDERELLA. Hyb. cac. A lovely hybrid cactus of a delicate salmon with a slight suffusion of pink. Good grower and fine stem	2.00
COUNTESS OF LONSDALE. Hyb. Old rose red, slightly shading salmon, flowers freely and blooms finely formed. Desirable for cutting	.35
CREPESCULE. Cac. Yellow shaded fawn; flowers large and good form; profuse bloomer	.50
CRIMSON KING. Cac. Fine crimson. Good type flowers on straight stems. Attractive	1.00
DADDY BUTLER. Hyb. An odd shade of carmine-rose. Reverse of petals being lighterTubers, \$2.00. Plants,	1.00
DENNISON'S PINK. Hyb. cac. A real live pink; good stem	.50
DIANA. Hyb. Rich crimson with violet reflex. Very large and striking flower. Upright	.50
DOROTHY DURNBAUGH. Cac. Very large. Salmon pink. Splendid stems	1.00
ELSIE DANIELS. Hyb. cac. Pale orchid-pink blending white toward centre. Good stemTubers, \$3.00. Plants,	1.50
ELIZABETH BUTLER. Hyb. Soft old rose shading to creamy yellow toward the centre. Splendid stems	1.50
EL GRANADA. Hyb. In color a vivid orange with creamy yellow reverse of petals. Fine stems	2.50
ELSIE OLIVER. Hyb. Soft pink shading cream in the centre. Free bloomer and good stems	1.00
EMMA MARIE. Hyb. cac. Fine clear pink blending to white toward the centre. Large flower on long strong, stem, well above the foliage. Tubers, \$5.00. Plants,	2.00
ESTHER HOLMES. Hyb. Orchid-pink. Fine full flower. Good stems. Very free bloomer	1.00

ETENARD de LYON. Hyb. Distinct in shape. Petals broad, curled and waved, large flower. Color rich purplish velvet	.50
F. W. FELLOWS. Cac. Is always a prize winner. Beautiful orange terra cotta. Blossoms huge and composed of long narrow straight petals. Fine long, strong stems	.50
FLORADORA. Cac. Deep crimson; fine cactus; exceptionally free flowering; medium size	.50
FRANCIS LOBDELL. Hyb. Mallow-pink shading lighter. A very free bloomer on cane like stems. Form is perfect	2.00
GEORGE WALTERS. Hyb. Very large and free bloomer. Deep rose salmon suffussed gold toward the centre. Very popular	.75
GLADYS SHERWOOD. Hyb. An immense pure white blossom deep and full; held very erect on splendid stems. A most popular white	1.00
GOLDEN GATE. Cac. Deep golden yellow overlaid bronze producing fine perfect flowers; free bloomer	.50
GOLDEN PRINCE. Cac. Vigorous grower; large flower; pure golden yellow	.75
GOLDEN WEST. Hyb. It is one of the best and much in demand. Beautiful orange buff; large and free flowering	.50
ISLAM PATROL. Hyb. cac. Velvety scarlet with tips of gold. Prolific	2.50
JEAN CHAZOT or GAY PAREE. Hyb. Fine Autumn shade of golden bronze shading to buff. Good stems and profuse bloomer	1.00
J. B. RIDING. Cac. A blending of yellow shading to orange and tipped with apricot. Large flower, free flowering	.50
J. H. JACKSON. Cac. Velvety maroon almost black. Perfect cactus. Large and prolific bloomer	.35
J. L. CHILDS. Hyb. Cac. Yellow suffused and splashed with bright scarlet and generally tipped white. Stiff stems and prolific bloomer	.75
JERSEY'S RADIANT. Hyb. Cac. Bittersweet orange; large flowers; long stiff stems Tuber, \$3.00; Plants	1.75
KALIF. Hyb. Beautiful scarlet red of majestic size; prolific bloomer borne on long, strong stems making it an excellent garden or cut flower type. First variety to win highest award of National German Dahlia Society	.75
LADY ELIZABETH. Hyb. Cac. A very refined dahlia of canary-yellow overlaid bronzy pink. Petals are picoteed at the edge. Fine stems. Tuber, \$3.00; Plants,	1.00
LADY HELEN. Hyb. A striking variety. A deep, carmine rose pink with suffusions of white, growing erect on long stems. Very free	1.50
LADOGA. Hyb. Deep orange with coppery tints; fine, full large flower and strong stem	1.00
LA FAVORITA. Hyb. A prize winner. A beautiful deep orange shade, each bloom carried on a strong stem, perfect form showing a full center even late in the season	.75
LOLITA VELASCO. Cac. One of the finest large white cactus. Very fine stems and flowers are held well above the foliage. Tubers, \$2.00; Plants,	1.00
MADONNA. Hyb. Flowers, though bold and large, are not coarse. Semi- curled and twisted petals. A distinct and charming flower of ivory white with full center. Good stems	.50
MARGUERITE BOUCHON. Cac. A lovely brilliant rose pink with a white centre. Perfect form. Wonderful for basket or vase work	.75
MARIPOSA. Hyb. (Boston). A delightful shade of orchid pink which is intensified by a deeper centre with a faint violet suffusion. Long, stiff stems	1.00
MONTAUK. Hyb. Lovely shade of clear rose pink. Full flower, good stems and growth	.50

MRS. ALFRED WAGSTAFF. Hyb. A new introduction. An enormous full, deep flower. The color of spinel-red which appeals to all who have seen it in the garden. Fine, long strong stems and vigorous growth.	2.00
Tuber, \$5.00; Plant, MRS. EDNA SPENCER. Hyb. A flower of a delicate and exquisite shade	2.00
of orchid pink. Very beautiful and of good formation and stems	.75
MRS. F. GRIMSTEAD. Cac. Deep rich crimson, shading purple; petals incurved. Flowers of large exhibition size. Very pointed petals	.50
MRS. HAPPY BEDFORD. Hyb. cac. The largest and most perfect pure yellow exhibition hybrid cactus in existence. Fine stemPlant,	5.00
MRS. J. H. HOWARD. Cac. A lovely rose pink with a suggestion of white. Large and full to center. One of the very best	1.00
MRS. LEO NISSEN. Cac. Scarlet red blending to peach red at the centre with tints of yellow at the tips of petals. Profuse bloomer	.75
MRS. FREDERICK K. STREET (Hyb.) Purple crimson, tipped white, on long upright stems. A gem for cutting and exceedingly attractive	2.00
MRS. RICHARD LOHRMANN. Hyb. A pure golden yellow. Attracting a great deal of praise on account of its glorious color. Fine grower.	1.00
MRS. WARNAAR. Cac. A Holland variety. A gigantic white flower, suffused delicate pink; petals irregular and incurved. Long, stiff stems. Good habit	1.00
MRS. W. E. ESTES. Hyb. An incomparable white novelty of marvelous beauty and size. Long stiff stems. Free flowering	1.00
MT. SHASTA. Hyb. A beautiful blending of shell pink and yellow. Long stem	1.00
NIBELUNGENHORT. Hyb. One of the old favorites. A beautiful shade of old rose with a suggestion of salmon-pink shading apricot. Good stems.	.75
NICHU. Hyb. cac. Fine clear yellow with the ends of petals quilled, resembling a large Chrysanthemum. Good stems	2.00
PAPILLION. Hyb. A flower of beautiful old rose shadings. Reverse of petals darker, making this Dahlia a stand out Dahlia. Good grower on fine stems	1.00
PIERROT. Cac. A very striking English cactus of amber, petals tipped with white. Flowers very large	.75
PROXIE. Hyb. A large velvety-red Hyb. cac. Splendid habits. Free bloomer; long stems	1.00
RED CROSS. Hyb. A large hybrid of scarlet and gold. Fine stems. Won several highest awards. Attracts attention wherever exhibited	1.00
RHEINISCHER FROHSINN. Cac. Very fine flower. White at base, quickly changing to carmine rose. Upright stems. Very popular	.75
RUTH FORBES. Hyb. Fine lilac pink. Very long stems. Profuse bloomer	.50
SCARAMOUCHE. Hyb. Indian red. Large flower; very fine. Long strong stems	1.50
SHIRLEY BROWN. Hyb. Old gold tinting salmon. Very large flowers produced freely on fine stems. A valuable addition to this class	2.00
SISKIYOU. Hyb. Pink tinted mauve. One of the very largest and a sturdy erect grower on long stems	2.00
izes well with the Autumn leaves	.50
SOUTHWARD HO. Hyb. Very large deep flower; form like Kalif. Deeper scarlet tipped white. Fine stem	.75
SUNBRITE. Hyb. Cheerful shade of red with tips of yellow. Something like Red Cross. Very free. Fine stem	1.00
SUNKISS. Hyb. One of the best Hybrids we have seen. Perfect in type. An exceptional free bloomer on fine stems and with a little disbudding a very large flower. Fine yellow in center and bordered light fawn buff.	25
Tubers, \$1.50; Plants,	.75

TOM LUNDY. Hyb. Rich dark crimson. Very large flowers. Popular. Tubers	.75
VIOLETTA. Hyb. Large flowers of Petunia violet, borne very freely on	
upright stems. A splendid acquisition	1.50 .75
WASHINGTON CITY. Hyb. A fine clear white starlike flower of good depth and size. Very popular	.75
W. B. CHILDS. Hyb. cac. Deep velvety maroon; fine form. Free bloomer	.50
WINTER TIME. Cac. Very large flower; medium size; good stem and grower	1.50
WODAN. Hyb. Large flowers of a delicate salmon rose color, shading to old gold in center. Free. Fine stems	.50
YELLOW KING. Hyb. It is a wonder! Many people confuse it with a chrysanthemum. Pure yellow shading to lighter almost white at tips of petals. Stem long and rigid. Prolific bloomer	.50
DECORATIVE	
Large double flowers, full to the center, with broad flat, somewhat lo arranged flora rays with broad points or rounded tips.	osely
AGNES HAVILAND. Dec. Color of a Hybrid tea rose; fine rose pink with a slight suffusion of yellow. Large and well formed flower on fine stem	2.00
AMITYVILLE. Dec. Giant decorative of a light silvery pink; very robust grower; long strong stem; free flowering	1.00
AMUN RA. (The Sun God.) Winning first prize for the fourth consecutive year on the Pacific Coast. This giant copper orange gold tinted creation of Mrs. Jessie Seal stands out as a new form of Decorative of very superior merit and should be in every gardenTubers, \$2.00; Plants,	1.00
AURORA. B. Dec. A deep shade of purple. Distinct white collar near centre. Might be called Dec. collarette. Very novel and attractive. Fine for cutting	1.00
AZALEA. Dec. An immense flower of soft creamy yellow, outer petals tinged pink. Fine strong stem. Popular	.75
BABA BOTT. Dec. Hyb. A delicate pink of fine form. A mass of bloom all season. A real good garden Dahlia	1.00
BABYLONIAN. Dec. A new introduction. Rich Burgundy-red shaded velvety black. Vigorous grower; huge flower on cane-like stem. Tuber, \$5.00; Plant,	2.00
BASHFUL GIANT. Dec. Apricot with golden shadings. Gigantic flowers of good form on stout stems	1.00
BEN WILSON. Dec. Color rich velvety red, each petal having just a tip of yellow; the amount of yellow varying according to conditions. Plants are good growers and bloom profusely	1.00
BLACK JACK. Dec. Rich maroon almost black. Very large flower on long strong stems. Vigorous grower	2.00
BLUSHING BRIDE. Dec. White heavily tipped blush-pink. Not a deep flower but broad and finely formed. Fine for cutting	1.00
BONNIE BRAE. Dec. Cream shading to soft pink, fine form and large BOSTON WHITE. Dec. A new decorative almost an exact duplicate of Marean's famous \$50.00 Polar Snow; only it has a much better stem. A	1.00
big deep free flowering white	2.00
beauty. Stiff stem and free bloomer	2.00

CAMBRIA. (English Dec.) Rich pink toning to white center; massive full flower with broad petals; long rigid stems, free flowering. One of the best	1.00
CARDINAL. Peo-dec. Very dark purple-garnet; large flower.	.75
CARMENCITA. Dec. A most graceful and beautiful Decorative. Yellow regularly striped red. The plant is a dwarf grower, but forms a fine compact bush which is a mass of flowers all season	1.00
CARMEN SYLVIA. Dec. Lovely shade of salmon. Flowers medium; perfect stem and form	.50
CATHERINE WILCOX. (Marean) Decorative. A very refined flower. White tipped cerise, grower and free bloomer	1.00
CHAMPAGNE. Dec. One of the loveliest Dahlias, soft in coloring. Champagne to chamois. Large flower on perfect stems. Tubers, \$2.50. Plants,	1.00
CHARM. (Marean) Dec. Very pleasing shade of burnt orange. Fine strong stems. Good bloomer	1.00
CLARA FINGER. Dec. Giant Decorative of a beautiful butter yellow edged pinkish buff. Strong grower and is very free blooming. Late in season blooms come Peony Decorative. It is one of the best and most admired. Wonderful for exhibitions. Received Certificate A. D. S. of Merit, 1921	1.00
CLEMENTINA WING. Dec. Bright crimson. Fine stem	.50
COLOSSAL PINK. Dec. Fine clear pink at the centre shading lighter at the tips of petals; strong vigorous grower; good stem	1.00
CUBAN GIANT. Dec. Large deep crimson; long stem and fine form	.35
DARLENE. Dec. Shell pink, white centre; early bloomer	.50
DON WILLIAMS. Dec. Deep lavender tipped white. Large flower on strong stems. Sport of Earl WilliamsTubers, \$3.50. Plants,	1.00
DREAM. Decorative. Is well worthy of its name. A most conspicuous salmon shade with amber like glow. A flower of supreme beauty and perfect form. Long, strong stems. Very free bloomer	.50
DAKOTA. (Marean) Dec. Large flowers held aloft on strong stems. Color is shades of flame. Fine for exhibition or the garden	1.00
D. M. MOORE. Dec. Large perfectly formed flowers of a deep velvety maroon, almost black	.5(
DOROTHY ROBBINS. Dec. Large flowers of a real autumn shade. Buff, carrot red centre. Clean grower. Cert. A. D. S. 1921	1.00
DR. TEVIS. Dec. Fine flower of immense size borne on splendid long stem. Coloring is unique, being darker than Geo. Walters; a blending of yellow, apricot, rose and rich red. Free bloomer. A prize winner. A novelty and star of first magnitude, flowers 9 to 11 inches in diameter,	
erect on long vigorous stem. Color a beautiful shade of salmon rose, suf- fused old gold shading to apricot. Always a prize winner	.75
EARLE WILLIAMS. Dec. Named after the movie star. A giant flowering dahlia of a brilliant crimson and white, evenly distributed. Plants are very free blooming. One of the finest and most attractive Dahlias	
ever introduced	2.00
well above the foliage on very long straight stems. Tubers, \$3.50. Plants, ELINOR MARTIN. Dec. A wonderful decorative of deep mulberry and	1.50
rose colorings. Flowers large and deep. Fine stems. Tubers, \$5.00; Plant,	2.50
EMILY RENWICK. Dec. Rose-pink; very free; good stem	1.00
ELIZABETH SLOCOMBE. Dec. In color a rich purplish garnet. Fine deep formation; long strong stem	1.00
ELINOR VANDERVEER. Dec. Fine large flower of great depth and size. Color a glowing phlox pink; long strong stemTuber, \$7.50; Plant,	3.75

E. T. BEDFORD. Dec. Wonderful exhibition flower. Beautiful shade of purple with a lighter shading giving it the appearance of a silvered pur-	
ple. Very erect fine stemsTubers, \$2.50; Plants,	1.00
EVEQUE. Dec. An elegant bright purplish violet flower. Always held	.75
erect on long, strong stems. Most effective	
ing; bright yellow and orange shadings, deeply tinted white	.50
FLAMINGO. Dec. An excellent variety for cutting by reason of its form and clear bright shell pink color. Very prolific	.50
FAITH GARIBALDI. Dec. An enormous deep flower of pale Hortense violet; long strong stem	2.50
FLORENCE FINGER. Dec. Immense deep flower of lavender pink on	2.00
straight stems. Certificate A. D. S	1.00
FRAU. G. SCHIFF. Dec. A beautiful blending of apricot, orange and yellow with reverse of petals coral red. Early and continuous bloomer. Plants are of good habit. Very popular	1.00
GIANT RUBY. Dec. Vivid red. Very large full flower. Vigorous upright grower. One of the very best redsTubers, \$2.00; Plants,	1.00
GLORIANA. Dec. Large flower of old gold with a suggestion of red towards the centre. Good stems	1.00
GOODBYE DELICE. Dec. A lighter pink than Delice; flower medium; long stem; profuse bloomer	.50
GORDON BLANDING. Dec. Soft pure lavender; fine and large	2.00
GRACE SPERLING. Dec. A beautiful formed dahlia of two tones, face of golden irridescent buff with reverse of petals amaranth-purple making it an exceptionally striking flower. Free flowering on long perfect stems.	
Tuber, \$3.50; Plants,	1.50
GYPSYANNA (Dec.) A perfectly formed flower of large size on fine upright stems. Shadings of soft buff yellow suffused red. Tubers, \$3.50; Plants,	1.00
HALVELLA. Dec. One of the finest in the Dec. class. Very large flower	1.00
of soft rose-pink with a golden sheen. Very fine long stiff stems. Good grower and keeper Tubers, \$2.50; Plants,	1.00
HOCHASI. Dec. Yellow suffused with a deep red in the centre and at	
the end of petals; large flower and sturdy grower	.50 .50
HORTULANUS FIET. Dec. One of Holland's best creations, in fact it	
has become a standard. An immense flower of salmon pink suffused gold. A rare beauty	.75
INSULTINDE. Dec. A giant bronzy orange with a salmon tint. Beautiful	
JANE SELBY. Dec. A winner of many prizes. A beautiful flower of a	1.50
delicate mauve pink of great substance and fine formation. Stem won-	7.5
derfully long and stiff. Flowers grow well above the foliage	.75
splashed with brilliant scarlet and generally tipped white. Large flower. Stiff stem and prolific bloomer	.75
J. W. DAVIES. Dec. A deep violet-cerise shading to a lighter cerise at	.10
the ends of petals. Fine stem and robust grower	2.00
JERSEY'S BEAUTY. Dec. "Waite." Scored 91 A. D. S. Trials. Sensational new real pink, of majestic size, and exceptionally good habits.	
Tubers, \$3.50; Plants, JERSEY'S BEACON. Dec. Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse giving	1.75
two-toned effect; very large flower; vigorous grower and fine stem.	
Tuber, \$7.50; Plant, JERSEY'S JOY. Dec. Rich golden yellow; fine formation and stem.	3.75
Plants only,	1.50
JERSEY'S JEWEL. Dec. Mallow pink, petals long and broad; good stems. Tuber, \$3.00; Plants,	1.50
JERSEY'S KING. Dec. (Waite). Carmine. A very large flower and a splendid grower. Certificate A. D. S. 1922	1.50
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JERSEY'S MAMMOTH. Dec. Rich golden mahogany; extremely large flower	2.50
JERSEY'S PRIDE. Hyb. Dec. (Waite). An enormous yellow amber and pink. Flower on very long stems. A lovely combination. Certificate A. D. S. Both East and West	2.00
JOHN MERRIT. Dec. A lovely white overlaid pale chalcedony yellow. It has splendid habits. Fine form and stems	2.00
JUDGE MAREAN. Dec. Very large flower of perfect type. Sort of a riot of colors, composing salmon-pink, red irridescent orange-yellow and pure gold. Good bloomer, strong stems. This season has again demonstrated that this is one of our foremost Dahlias	1.00
JUDGE ALTON PARKER. (Marean.) A very deep and perfectly formed flower of dark fawn color. Good grower and free bloomer	1.50
JUNIOR. Dec. Pure lavender of enormous size and perfect form with wide petals. Fine for exhibitionTubers, \$2.50. Plants,	1.00
KING OF THE AUTUMN. Decorative. One of the finest of Hornsveld's. Coloring buff yellow with terra cotta suffused through it. Sturdy long stems. Sometimes comes Peony but beautiful in either form. Selected stock	.50
KITTY DUNLAP. Dec. Delightful shade of American Beauty, petals broad with slight roll. Long stems almost leafless. Good keeper	1.50
LADY BABBIE. Dec. Peo. Soft toning lavender shades of rare beauty. Fine long stems and very free flowering	2.00
LADY BETTY. Dec. This beautiful dahlia was so named in honor of Judge Marean's wife. It is a large finely formed flower produced on strong, stiff stems and of a most attractive color. Creamy white overlaid rose pink. Good stems. Prolific bloomer	2.00
LAURA WEBER. Dec. The finest, largest white Dahlia in existence. Fine formation and long strong stemsTuber, \$10.00; Plants,	5.00
LA GROSSE BETE. Dec. Dark cerise. Very large flowers; free bloomer. LA MASCOTTE. Dec. Two toned effect of a silvery white with a deep	2.00
violet reverse	1.00
LE GRAND MANITOU. Dec. White, overlaid blotched and striped red- dish purple. Very large	.50
LOUISE PARSONS. Dec. Peo. Pure gold. Fine stems	2.00
salmon-pink; pointed and twisted petals making a very deep attractive flower. Profuse bloomer	3.00
MABEL THATCHER. Dec. (Marean). Large loose-petaled flower of chamois color; fine habits	1.50
stem	2.00
red making it a lovely combination	1.00
MERRICK (Dec. Hyb.) (Olbricht). A glorious shade of light maroon tipped and reverse of petals mahogany; a combination that has instantly appealed to all who have seen it. Fine stems and a good keeper. Very large and a free bloomer. (This creation scored 92 A. D. S., Southern Trial Grounds)	1.50
MORDELLA. Dec. In color a bright clear shade of apricot buff. Long stem; one of the loveliest Autumn shades Tuber, \$5.00; Plant,	3.00
MOTHER. Dec. A lovely flower of mauve-rose with a suggestion of lilac. Long strong stems	.75
MR. CROWLEY. Dec. Bright glowing tints of salmon and pink. Fine formation and good stem	1.50

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MR. DRESSELHUIS. Dec. Tone pink, medium sized flowers. Very free, fine for cutting. Won many prizes in Holland	5
MRS. CARL SALBACH. Dec. Beautiful lavender pink color. Immense blooms on especially long, stiff stems. Carried away first honors in Dahlia Society of California trial gardens and received an American Dahlia certificate at the trial ground at Storrs, Conn. Everyone should possess this gorgeous flower. This is still a popular Dahlia and will be for years to come. Much admired	0
MRS. C. FLOOD. Dec. Pink shaded white. Large flower	9
MRS. GEO. W. ELKINS. Hyb. Dec. This new Dahlia is of exceptional merit. Apricot-pink with gold suffusion. Grand for exhibition or garden. Very large	0
MRS. J. G. CASSATT. Dec. Old rose-pink on fine long stems	5
MRS. J. R. HOWELL. <i>Peo-Dec.</i> A rich lilac shading reverse silvery lilacgray making a beautiful combination; fine stem and grower	
MRS. I. de VER WARNER. Dec. Without a doubt this is one of the finest Dahlias ever produced. Its impressive size, fine deep orchid color and robust growth makes it one of the stand-out Dahlias. Tubers, \$1.50; Plants,	5
MRS. JOHN T. SCHEEPERS. Dec. Center clear canary yellow gradually changing to a delicate shade of pink on the outer petals. Very large flower, standing well out of the foliage on strong stems	0
MRS. S. G. MILOSY. Dec. A combination of red and white resembling Earl Williams; large flower and fine stem	0
MRS. WM. WINCOTT. Dec. The finest true yellow in color; excellent long stem; wonderful bloomer and habits unexcelled	Э
MYRA VALENTINE. Dec. Golden brown. Three foot stems. Extra large exhibition and cut flowerTubers, \$3.50; Plants, 1.00	0
NOBILIS. Dec. Combination of red and white; white predominating. Fine stems	0
OSAM SHUDOW. Dec. A giant, large petaled flower of fine formation. Old rose slight shading of lilac. Splendid upright stems)
PATRICK O'MARA. Dec. The color is an unusually soft and pleasing shade of orange-buff slightly tinged Neyron rose. Good keeping qualities. PAUL BONYON. Dec. Fine form, fringed petals, good strong stems. Color is gold and apricot	
PAUL MICHAEL. (California Gold.) Dec. An enormous perfectly formed decorative of pure glistening gold; flowers carried aloft on long stems. Very free flowering. With scarcely any disbudding can be grown from 9 to 10 inches)
PENATIQUIT. Dec. Golden bronze. One of the finest Dahlias grown. Perfect in growth, form and color. Large flowers, blooming very freely on fine long stems. Splendid for cuttingTubers, \$2.50; Plants, PINK LADY. Dec. A real pink with good stems	
POLAR STAR. Dec. Pure white. Fine form, medium size	
PRESIDENT HARDING. Dec. Very fine large white. Good stems 2.00	
PRIDE OF WAYNE. Dec. Good size and form. Plum color)
PRIDE OF SAN FRANCISCO. Dec. Glowing salmon-pink with a sugges-	
tion of gold. Very upright stems)
PRIDE OF THE GARDEN. Dec. Fawn tipped white. Early in season mostly solid color. Fine grower and bloomer)
PRINCESS PAT. Dec. A magnificent decorative variety of old rose. Flowers very perfectly formed growing well above the foliage on long stiff stems. Won first prize for the best 25 blooms at San Francisco in	
1921)

PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA. Dec. Color crimson red, darker full centers. Huge flowers on long strong stems. One of the very best	.75
PRINCESS MARY. Dec. Vivid live pink, margined blush. One of the showiest in pink. Carries a mass of flowers on strong upright stems	.50
PURITY. Decorative. A lovely white Decorative Dahlia. Free bloomer,	
fine form QUEEN MARY. Dec. Soft shade of pink; large flower with full rounded	.50
centre. Strong grower	.35
QUEEN OF THE ROSES. Dec. One of the most beautiful shades of pink, a color liked by all florists and much in demand by women. Splendid exhibition and garden Dahlia. Fine for table decoration	1.00
RADIN KARTINI. Dec. Salmon shade with lilac and mauve. Strong stems. Very free bloomer	.50
RED PLANET. Dec. A vigorous grower. Large flower. Red suffused gold	3.00
ROOKWOOD. Dec. Bright cerise rose. Immense flowers on perfect stems. Very free bloomer	1.00
bronze. An improved Sagamore. Fine stems and habits	5.00
largest dahlias in existence. Wonderful strong stems. Tuber, \$5.00; Plants, RORY O'MOORE. Dec. An attractive shade of violet-purple heavily	2.00
tipped white. Flowers large and good stemsTuber, \$3.00; Plants, ROSE ACRE. Dec. A fine combination of red and white. Very prolific	1.00
and fine stems	.75
ROSA NEL. (Broomhall.) One of the very finest Decorative. So perfect in form and of a bright clear cerise color. Held upright on long stems.	1.50
RUMSON. Dec. Light amber buff. Flower held well above the foliage on stiff stems. Good bloomer and grower	1.00
SAGAMORE. Dec. A rich amber gold shaded toward the centre orange- buff. Fine long stemsTuber, \$5.00; Plants,	2.50
SAMSON. Dec. A striking combination of yellow and red. Plants of perfect habit. Giant flowers	1.00
SENORITA. Hyb. Dec. Rich dark red. Immense flowers. Fine for exhibition	2.00
Flowers are borne well above the foliage. Tall grower and very robust grower	1.00
SHELIKOF, Dec. Deep garnet, Flower is of great substance both large	
and deep. Very strong long stems. Highest award A. D. S. 1920. Very fine SHUDOW'S LAVENDER. Decorative. This very large bloom is a silvery	1.00
lavender slightly shading to white. Stem long and carries the blooms well above the foliage. Plants very tall and robustTubers, \$2.50; Plants,	1.00
SNOWDRIFT. This giant white decorative deserves its name; a very full deep built flower with broad flat petals. One of the most popular whites.	1.00
SOV. de GUS. DOAZON. Dec. Very large flower of orange-red. Fine strong stem	.50
ST. FRANCIS. Dec. A lovely soft cream salmon-pink. Fine stems and good grower. Large deep flower.	1.00
SULPHUREA. Dec. Resembles a large yellow Mum. It might also be classified as a hybrid cactus. One of the first to bloom and flowers constantly throughout the season. Color is a clear sulphur yellow. Very	
good stems	1.00
SUSAN G. TEVIS. Dec. Large flowers on fine upright stems. Lilac with a blueish sheen	2.00

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SYLVIA DICKEY. Dec. Large flowers. Pretty phlox-pink. Very free. One of the best pink Dahlias	1.00
TERRA COTTA. Dec. Large full flower with graceful wavy petals and full to the center. Always a mass of flowers borne on upright long	
stems. Color is true to its name	.50
THE EMPEROR. (Marean) Dec. This fine Dahlia with its enormous size and beautiful color, purple-maroon, has caused quite a stir among collectors of the best and is highly recommended. A jewel	2.00
THE GRIZZLY. Dec. A great dark velvety maroon beauty. One of the best and most prolific. Stems 3 to 4 feet long. Extra large flowers. A rare prize winning novelty	1.00
THE MILLIONAIRE. Decorative. Most delicate lavender with a faint pink cast overshading. Immense flower, often measuring 10 to 12 inches across, of unusual depth. Holds its own with the very best	1.00
THE MONARCH. Dec. A majestic deep full flower of Snow white. Long stems. A very vigorous grower	2.50
TOMMY ATKINS. Dec. Glowing scarlet, very bright. Vigorous grower, and free bloomer on fine stemsTubers, \$2.00; Plants,	1.00
TRENTONIAN. Dec. Large decorative of old gold amber and coppery bronze. Petals large and broad. Good stemsTuber, \$7.50; Plants,	3.75
TRYPHINNIE. Dec. Bright shell pink shading to white. Good stems.	1.00
VENUS. Dec. Large creamy white with lavender suffusion. Good strong stems. Fine grower and produces very freely	1.00
stems	1.00
VINELAND. Dec. Russet orange suffused apricot. Petals twist and curve. Fine Autumn dahlia	1.50
stems	1.00
WILLIAM SLOCOMBE. Dec. Large flower, well formed of a beautiful shade of canary yellow deepening toward the centre. Splendid stems.	1.00
WINFIELD SLOCOMBE. Dec. Full, deep Decorative of fine Autumn shades. Golden buff shading to darker center. Fine stems. Can be compared with any \$10 Dahlia in its color and one of the finest for Fall decorations	1.00
WIZARD OF OZ. Dec. A mammoth flower of soft salmon pink shading rose. Very free bloomer	2.00
WHITE SISTER. Dec. Large flower of white shading to a light green centre. Good stems	2.00
WORLD'S BEST WHITE. Dec. Splendid large ivory-white flower. Fine stems; good growerTuber, \$3.50; Plants,	1.50
WORLD'S WONDER. Dec. Prolific bloomer. Long strong stems. Color golden salmon	1.00
YELLOW CHRYSANTHEMUM. Dec. An enormous clear light butter yellow of wonderful form	1.00
PEONY OR ART DAHLIAS	
One to three rows of long flat or twisted and pointed petals, showing ar open yellow centers.	tistic,
AURORE. Peo. Flowers are very large, produced on long stiff stems, well above the foliage. Color a very deep orange, salmon. Splendid for cutting. Free bloomer. An Autumn tint	.75

AVALANCHE. Peo. Pure white, the best white in its class. Early in the season comes in Hybrid cactus form.....

.50

CAMILE FRACHON. Peo. Maroon-purple with a golden centre. Very attractive and popular	
CARDINAL MERCIER. Peony. (Stillman.) A monstrous open peony of deep salmon pink shaded yellow; a very artistic flower. There is a lustre to this fine Dahlia that makes it most attractive	
CREATION. Peo. Very unique shade of beautiful cherry-red. Blooms freely 1.00	
DIANA. (Marean) Peo. Bright vivid scarlet. Very long stem	
DREAMLIGHT. Peo. A large full flower of a pretty blending of old rose and yellow. Sometimes Decorative but mostly Peony. Good bloomer and stems 2.00	
GORGEOUS. Peo. This Peony is in a class by itself for color and size. Yellow splashed scarlet. Fine for cutting. Tubers, \$1.50; Plants, .75	
HAMPTON COURT. Peony. Soft, deep pink, yellow center, extra large flower and very free blooming	
KANKAKEE. Peo. Lovely shade of purplish maroon. Very prolific bloomer on fine long stems	
KING ALBERT. A giant dark violet purple, one of the best purples. Tall plants and long strong stems	
LADY ALLA. Color is bright scarlet. Long, strong stems, carrying flower well above foliage. Large flower and good keeper	
MEYERBEER. Peo. A beautiful large velvety royal purple. Fine grower; strong stems	
MME. BYSTEIN. Peo. Lovely new shade of lilac-blue. Free bloomer on good stems. Large and fine	
MME. COISSARD. Peo. Duplex. Very beautiful shade of deep cerise shading to white in center. Whole flower more or less spread with white. Petals broad. Large flowers	
MRS. GEO. GORDON. Peo. Giant creamy-white. Good seller. Fine bloomer	
OREGON BEAUTY. Peo. An intense oriental red, with golden sheen. Produces large flowers on long stems, in the greatest profusion. Fine for your garden	
PACIFIC GLOW. Peo. An immense flower of soft pink	
PEG O' MY HEART. Peo. Most lovely creation; color refined and beautiful; old rose with a slight shading of golden yellow. Fine stems and large flowers	
PERFECT BEAUTY. Peo. Dec. Red and white, well distributed. A very attractive flower	
SWEETHEART'S BOQUET. Peo. Rosy-salmon shading fawn. Profuse bloomer. Long stems	
THE BILLIONAIRE. This is a monster Peony of a beautiful shade of golden orange with pendant stem. Holds its own with the very best 1.00	
UNCLE SAM. Peo. Orange-buff blending to pink at the ends. Long stems. 1.50	
THE U. S. A. Peo-Dec. This new creation from Stillman's is a Dahlia of exceptionally fine formation. Color deep orange buff	
WHITE CAP. Peo. Fine ivory white peony dahlia on good stems. For table decorations unexcelled	
AMI BARILETT. Single. One of the loveliest single deep scarlet dahlia. Foliage purplish; the only foliage of its kind. Fine for bedding or bordering. Height 2 feet	

SHOW AND HYBRIDS

The show are the closely quilled ball shaped varieties, full to the centre, showing regular arrangement of florets. The Hybrid Show are very large.

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CLARA SEATON. Hybrid Show. The color of this lovely hybrid is a rich golden bronze with beautifully quilled petals. One of the finest Dahlias of this type	.50
DELIGHTED. Show. One of the finest and largest show Dahlias in exist-	
ence. Immense double flowers 6 to 8 inches across and snow white. The center of many of the blooms is elongated in such a way that to	.50
suggest the Roosevelt smile	.50
DREER'S WHITE. Show. Large, regular. Perfect pure white flower. Plants very strong and bushy; fine for hedge work	.50
GOLD MEDAL. Show. Perfect yellow flower, striped and speckled red. Fine grower and prolific bloomer	.50
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GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY. Hybrid Show. Rich buttercup yellow shaded burnt orange. Good habits, a sport from Clara Seaton, one of the best.	.50
MAUDE ADAMS. Show. Snow white overlaid delicate pink. Good stems.	.50
MRS. J. P. SMITH. Show. Biggest perfect ball. Color a rich red with cherry flush, great bloomer. Long, strong stems	.50
MRS. ROOSEVELT. Show. A beautiful flower of immense size; fine color and form; excellent stems. Delicate silvery rose	.50
ROSE. Show. Color an exceptionally deep rose shade. Flowers carried well on long stems. Very popular	.25
VIVIAN. H. Show. Large and beautiful colorings. Center of blossom	.20
dark magenta. Inside of petal being much lighter cerise	.35
W. W. RAWSON. H. Show. Color pure white overlaid with amethyst-	
blue, giving it an appearance of delicate lavender. Flowers often measure	
7 to 9 inches. Petals toward center are quilled toward the outer part	
broad and flat	.50

POMPOMS

Flowers very small and of the show type on good stems for cutting; they are splendid for bouquets and table decorations. Very free flowering. They are all priced at \$.25 each or \$2.50 a dozen our selection.

ADMIRAL DOT. Perfect flower. Lavender pink.

AMBER QUEEN. Rich, clear amber shaded apricot.

ANNIE DONCASTER. Yellow base suffused pearly pink.

ARIEL. Buff tinted orange.

BOBBY. Plum color. Very pretty.

CLARA HARSH. Yellow tipped crimson.

DR. JIM. Purple shaded white.

ERNEST HARPER. Coral red. Fine,

FASHION. Orange.

GANYMEDE. Fawn pink. Very fine.

GRAUS AUS WEIN. Crushed strawberry.

JESSICA. Amber edged red.

KLEIN-DOMITEA. Clear delicate buff color shading lighter around outside edge.

LITTLE HERMAN. Deep red tipped white.

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ANNA EBERIUS (<i>Diener</i>). Dark velvety purple; throat deeper shade; flowers 6 inches in diameter; fine, long, well-set spike. Each, .15; Doz.,	1.50
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HERADA. Very large bloom of clear sparkling mauve. A strikingly attractive flower	1.00
JACK LONDON. (Diener). Light salmon with brilliant orange stripes; golden yellow throat with ruby striped center; flowers 5 inches in diameter, spikes 5 to 6 feet high	2.50
LE MARSHAL FOCH. (P. Van Deursen). A glorified America. A shade	
lighter in color, larger flower and blooms two weeks earlier. New. Each, .10; Doz.,	1.00
LOUISE. (Wright). New. Well opened orchid like flowers of attractive bluish lavender, with wine colored blotch in throat; tall and stately. Each, .15; Doz.,	1.50
MARY FENNELL. Light lavender, lower petals primrose yellow pencilled	1.00
lavender. Tall slender graceful spike	1.00
MARY PICKFORD. Delicate creamy white, surphur throat. Very fine flower and spike	1.50

MURIEL. (Velthuys). New. Light blue with darker throat markings, medium height. Good	2.00
MISS MAUD FAY. (Diener). Clear cattleya pink, a light stripe through the center of each petal; flowers very open; averaging 6 inches in diameter; fine for table displayEach, .50; Doz.,	5.00
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MRS. FRANCIS KING. Coppery red. Large flower on tall spike. A very vigorous grower Each, .10; Doz.,	.50
MRS. FRANK PENDLETON. Delicate salmon pink with carmine red throat. A very showy varietyEach, .10; Doz.,	.75
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MRS. WM. KENT. (Diener). Light fawn to light ashes of roses; old rose in throat; an exquisite blending of color. Flowers 6 inches in diameter. Spike 4 to 5 feet high	2.50
PANAMA. Larger than America and deeper pink. Very beautiful. Vigorous Each, .10; Doz.,	.75
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PRIDE OF GOSHEN. Large salmon-pink flowers of ruffled type. Very vigorous grower Each, .10; Doz.,	1.00
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RED EMPEROR. The finest deep scarlet, enormous flowers on very tall spike Each, .10; Doz.,	1.00
ROSE ASH. A smoky rose best described as ashes of roses. A very tall, vigorous grower. An entirely new color. Very fineEach, .15; Doz.,	1.50
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THOS. T. KENT. (Diener). Rose-pink with ruby running through center of each petal; very vigorous in growth, this is one of the largest varieties; flowers 6 inches in diameter, spikes 6 feet highEach, .25; Doz.,	2.50
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WILLBRINK. (New). Lovely flesh pink with creamy blotch on lower petals. Very beautiful. Early as HalleyEach, .10; Doz.,	1.00
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This type is among the earliest to bloom. The upper petals droop, for a hood. The colors run primrose yellow to rose. Extremely graceful and for decoration.	ming fine
ALICE TIPLADY. (Kundred). Large, coppery bronze and orange flowers. Very popular and a great winner	1.00
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NINA. Large cream color edging into rose, light yellow throat. Each, .10; Doz.,	1.00

PATRICIAN DAHLIA BULBS

The roots I dug from last year's garden, How dry and mummy-like they are; Ugly things, hugging little clods of crumbling earth

In their withered, shrunken arms, Like mementoes of the past.

I deeply bury them from sight And over them heap the soil;

No longer shall their ugliness offend, Nor shall they see the light of day;

I shall forget them.

I find a stalk of tender green with bud

Unclosing to a glorious flower:

Can it be, within their withcred hearts The bulbs were holding, as in sanctuary,

A gem that waited but the call

To resurrection and to life?

This miracle of bulb and flower

Is like a flash of unexpected smile

From one of cold and stern exterior; Or like old age, whose beauty, dead and withered

Still holds the flower of youthful cheer When living in the hope of the Eternal.

Eva B. Burgess

PATRICIAN DAHLIAS

In stately rows, the regal dahlias stand, And seem a close inspection to invite; With heads uplifted loftily and firm,

Commanding admiration as their right.

An artist, with a living brush, has touched

Each petal with the colors that adorn; With fiery sunset hues of Golden West, And palest blush-tints of the rosy dawn.

How prodigal His brush with pigment,

He uses gold and bronze without stint.

Then blends and softens all with finished touch

And leaves each petal stamped with His imprint.

How beautiful the raiment that He shades;

The royal purple, velvety, we view; Proud Kings and Queens and Emperors in line.

Majestic, with their gorgeous retinue.

He paints, as white as Snowdrift's purity, An avalanche of petals, chaste and cold,

Then opening them slowly, one by one, Uncovered hearts that glow with sunkissed gold.

How deftly has He drawn from uncouth bulb.

Fair, dainty maids of high degree and charm;

Bold Kalifs of reputed dark red blood, And tall Ambassadors so straight and calm.

Like brilliant sunburst breaking on the sight

In vivid streaks and rays, the dahlias stand,

Proclaiming, silently, their royal birth, Creations of the Master Artist hand.

Eva B. Burgess.

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